

occupation wise is not maintained. Number of electors, who are school boys in respect of Orissa State, is not available. Section 19 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 provides the conditions of registration in the electoral rolls. According to it every person who is not less than eighteen years of age on the qualifying date, and is ordinarily resident in a constituency is entitled to be registered in the electoral roll for that constituency. There is no bar if a person who is studying in a school applies for enrollment in the electoral roll provided he is not less than 18 years of age on the qualifying date.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Allotment of quota of Notaries

3410. SHRI KESHUBHAI S. PATEL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) the criteria for allotting the quota of Notaries in States;
- (b) whether any request has been received from various States to enhance the quota of Notaries particularly from Gujarat; and
- (c) if so, the action taken thereon by Government?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) On the basis of the requirement/request received from the State Governments, the quota of Notaries is enhanced from time to time.

(b) Yes, During 2007, on the request of the State Government of Uttar Pradesh, the maximum number of Notaries to be appointed by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh has been enhanced by 50%. Requests from the State Government of Gujarat and Rajasthan have also been received for enhancement of quota of Notaries.

(c) The proposal for enhancing the quota of Notaries to be appointed by the State Governments of Gujarat and Rajasthan, by 50%, is under active consideration of the Government.